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Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:

ELASTOMERIC SEALING ELEMENT FOR GAS COMPRESSOR VALVE

and invented by:

Kevin Patrick Durham

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 - a. Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - b. Cross References to Related Applications (*if applicable*)
 - c. Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (*if applicable*)
 - d. Reference to Sequence Listing, a Table, or a Computer Program Listing Appendix
 - e. Background of the Invention
 - f. Brief Summary of the Invention
 - g. Brief Description of the Drawings (*if filed*)
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 - i. Claim(s) as Classified Below
 - j. Abstract of the Disclosure

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3. Drawing(s) (when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)
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b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional application only)
c. With Power of Attorney Without Power of Attorney
d. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
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incorporated by reference therein.

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7. Application Data Sheet (See 37 CFR 1.76)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all must be included)
a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
ii. Paper
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Accompanying Application Parts

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10. 37 CFR 3.73(B) Statement (when there is an assignee)

11. English Translation Document (if applicable)

12. Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations

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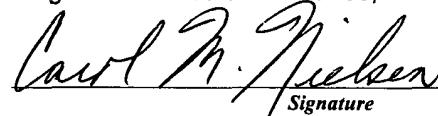
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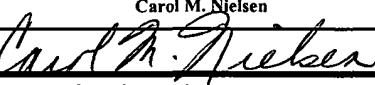
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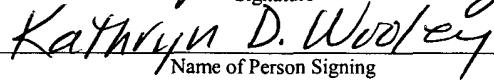
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